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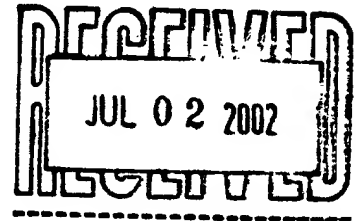
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1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Form PTO-1449
3. Copies of 29 References.

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Dear Sir:

Each item of information listed in the attached FORM PTO-1449, for which a copy of each is attached, may be material to the examination of the above-identified application and is, therefore, submitted in compliance with the duty of disclosure defined in 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The Examiner is requested to make these items of official record in this application.

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This statement is filed pursuant to:

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This information disclosure statement is filed either (1) within three months of the filing date of the national applications; (2) within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 in an international application; or (3) before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last.

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() 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c).

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Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires either the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (p) or a certification according to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e).

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Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p), \$180.00, for submission of an information disclosure statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), and a statement according to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e).

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- () (1) Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.

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- (X) No fee is due.
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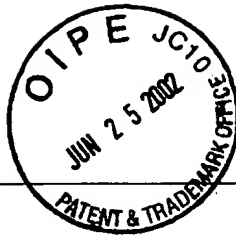
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